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FOREIGN MINISTER WILLESEE INCLUDED FOLLOWING REMARKS ON KOREA IN HIS SEPTEMBER 23 UNGA GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT: QUOTE. IN JUNE OF THIS YEAR I PAID VISITS TO THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA. I WAS GREETED WARMLY IN BOTH PLACES. IN BOTH PARTS OF KOREA THE PEOPLE SHARE A PAST AND TRADITIONS OF GREAT VALUE. BUT THE VAST GULF WHICH HAS GROWN BETWEEN THEM IN THE PAST THREE DECADES IS VERY REAL. WE WISH TO SEE GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO STATES, BUT ANY REALISTIC APPROACH TO THE FUTURE OF THE WHOLE OF KOREA HAS TO PROCEED FROM THE RECOGNITION THAT TWO SEPARATE ENTITIES EXIST, AND THAT EACH IS THE LAWFUL GOVERNMENT OF THAT PART OF KOREA IN WHICH IT EXERCISES EFFECTIVE CONTROL.

2. IN OUR VIEW, THE TWO GOVERNMENTS ARE EQUALLY SOVEREIGN, AND THEREFORE IN DETERMINING THE FUTURE OF THE PENINSULA, UNIFIED OR OTHERWISE, THE TWO GOVERNMENTS SHOULD ACT WITH FULL RESPECT FOR EACH OTHER'S SOVEREIGN RIGHTS.

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PEACE MUST BE AGREED, BUT IT NEEDS TO BE AN ENDURING

PEACE, RECOGNIZING THE REALITIES THAT EXIST IN THE
PENINSULA. PEACE HAS BEEN PRESERVED UNDER AN ARMISTICE
AGREEMENT FOR OVER 22 YEARS. WE WOULD WELCOME ANY PROGRESS
WHICH COULD BE MADE TO STRENGTHEN THE PROSPECTS FOR
REDUCTION OF TENSIONS AND FOR LASTING PEACE. WE WOULD BE
MOST CONCERNED IF THE PROSPECTS FOR PROGRESS WERE SET
BACK BY THE DISMANTLING OF MACHINERY WHICH HAS PROVED ITS
USEFULNESS, WITHOUT PUTTING SOMETHING NO LESS EFFECTIVE IN
ITS PLACE.

3. WHEN I VISITED PYONGYANG AND SEOUL I MADE IT CLEAR
THAT AUSTRALIA WOULD SUPPORT EITHER OR BOTH OF THE KOREAN
GOVERNMENTS IF EITHER OR BOTH WISHED TO JOIN THE UNITED
NATIONS. END QUOTE.
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